



DRUMOGHILL FOOTBALL CLUB

COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT (In line with FAI Policies and the FAI Respect Programme)

1. Policy Statement

Drumoghill Football Club is committed to providing a safe, positive, and inclusive environment for all participants. This Coaches' Code of Conduct outlines the standards expected of all coaches and aligns with Football Association of Ireland (FAI) policies.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all coaches, managers, assistant coaches, team officials, and volunteers involved in coaching activities.

3. Guiding Principles

Coaches must act in the best interests of players, promote enjoyment and development, respect all individuals, and uphold the values of Drumoghill FC and the FAI Respect Programme.

4. Safeguarding & Player Welfare

All coaches must comply with FAI Safeguarding Children Policies, prioritise player wellbeing, maintain professional boundaries, be Garda Vetted where required, and report concerns to the Club Safeguarding Officer.

5. Respect & Behaviour

Coaches must treat all participants with respect, accept referees' decisions, promote positive behaviour, and never engage in abuse or intimidation.

6. Coaching & Player Development

Coaches should hold appropriate FAI qualifications, deliver safe and inclusive sessions, focus on long-term development, and treat all players fairly.

7. Equality, Diversity & Inclusion

Discrimination of any form will not be tolerated. Coaches must promote inclusion and challenge inappropriate behaviour.

8. Communication & Boundaries

All communication must be professional and appropriate. Private or inappropriate messaging with underage players is prohibited.

9. Health, Safety & Wellbeing

Coaches are responsible for safe environments, awareness of medical needs, and adherence to injury and emergency procedures.

10. Alcohol, Drugs & Social Media

Coaches must not consume alcohol or drugs while responsible for players and must use social media responsibly.

11. Breaches & Disciplinary Action

Breaches of this Code may result in disciplinary action in line with club and FAI procedures.

12. Declaration

All coaches must confirm they have read, understood, and agree to abide by this Code of Conduct.

Name: _____

Role: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____